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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	Board of Speech Pathology, Audiology and Hearing Aid Dispensers
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Wednesday, May 13, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room B second floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES APPROVED	June 10, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT

Illene Courtright, Professional Member, President
Dr. Mary Ann Connolly-Gaskin, Professional Member, Secretary
Dr. Michael Michelli, Professional Member
Dr. Cynthia Parker, Professional Member
Regina Bilton, Professional Member
Dr. Jennifer Xenakes, Professional Member
Maisha Britt, Public Member

DIVISION STAFF

Eileen Heeney, Deputy Attorney General
Shauna Slaughter, Administrative Specialist II
Kay Warren, Deputy Director

MEMBERS ABSENT

George Christensen, Public Member
Carol Guilbert, Public Member

ALSO PRESENT

Clarence Lloyd, Smyrna School District
Tammy Croce, Lake Forest School District
Kathleen Vacek, Delaware Speech-Language-Hearing Association (DSHA)
Tracy Bombara, Delaware Speech-Language-Hearing Association (DSHA)
Beth Mineo, Delaware Speech-Language-Hearing Association (DSHA)/University of Delaware
Wayne Barton, Delaware Department of Education
Charlie Michels, Professional Standards Board
Dave Perrington, Caesar Rodney School District
Jacquie Truluck, Delaware Speech-Language-Hearing Association (DSHA)
Irene Warren, Delaware Speech-Language-Hearing Association (DSHA)

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Courtright called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes from the March 11, 2009 meeting. Ms. Bilton made a motion, seconded by Dr. Parker, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

2:15 p.m. – Rule and Regulation Hearing - Section 8.0

At 2:27 p.m., the Board held a public hearing for the proposed amendments to its regulations in section 8.0, which addresses the continuing education requirements for licensees. The hearing was audio recorded. Ms. Kelly stated the reason for the hearing. The affidavits of publication from The News Journal and The Delaware State News were marked as board exhibits 1 & 2 respectively. The Board introduced themselves for the record. Ms. Kelly advised that no written comment was received. The Board provided an opportunity for verbal public comment. There was no verbal public comment. At 2:29 p.m., the board went off the record for deliberations. The proposed changes were reviewed by the Board. The Board went back on the record at 2:34 p.m. Ms. Britt made a motion, seconded by Dr. Parker, to adopt the regulations as proposed. Motion unanimously carried. The final order was signed by all members present.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Review Strategic Plan

There was nothing added or changed at this time.

Sunset Review Update

Ms. Slaughter provided the Board with a copy of the minutes from the JSC meeting that was held on March 24, 2009. The Board advised Ms. Slaughter of a few errors in those minutes.

Joint Sunset Committee – Legislative Discussion

The board reviewed a draft of legislative changes prepared by Ms. Heeney. The Board suggested changes to several areas. Dr. Xenakes made a motion, seconded by Dr. Michelli, to adopt the draft as amended. Motion unanimously carried. Ms. Heeney will work with Ms. Warren to make the suggested amendments and a final draft will be forwarded to the board members.

Discussion Regarding the use of SLPAs

Presentation by Tracy Bombara from DSHA Regarding the use of SLPAs in Delaware

At this time Tracy Bombara made a presentation to the board highlighting recommendations from DSHA regarding the use of speech-language pathology assistants in Delaware and the training, credentialing, employment, and supervision that they feel would be required. Ms. Bombara answered questions asked by the Board and by the public. The Board will discuss this topic further at the next meeting.

Presentation by Beth Mineo, Ph.D. from University of Delaware Regarding the SLP Undergraduate Program

At this time Dr. Beth Mineo made a presentation to the board regarding the SLP undergraduate program that is offered at the University of Delaware. Dr. Mineo highlighted the intent of the program as well as what the program is not intended to do. Dr. Mineo also acknowledged that

Delaware has a deficiency due to the fact that there is no accredited graduate program in Communication Sciences & Disorders for their students to move into upon completion of their undergraduate program. Dr. Mineo advised that discussions have taken place at the University of Delaware regarding this deficiency. The Board will discuss this topic further at the next meeting when they discuss the use of SLPAs in Delaware.

Review Previously Tabled CE Request – Lindsay Charles

The Board reviewed the previously tabled CE request for Lindsay Charles. Ms. Charles submitted additional information for review. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Michelli, to table the request for copies of the outlines for each segment of this CE course. Motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Review Permanent Speech Pathologist Applications

The Board reviewed Kelly Carney's application for a permanent speech pathologist license. Ms. Bilton made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Nikki Hurd's application for a permanent speech pathologist license. Ms. Bilton made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Tricia Kolar's application for a permanent speech pathologist license. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Parker, to approve the application contingent upon receipt of a copy of Ms. Kolar's ASHA card. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Jacqueline Feldman's application for a permanent speech pathologist license. Ms. Bilton made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Mary Anne Terzaghi's application for a permanent speech pathologist license. Ms. Bilton made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Laura McDaniel's application for a permanent speech pathologist license. Ms. Bilton made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Christine Virion's application for a permanent speech pathologist license. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Parker, to approve the application contingent upon receipt of an official score report for the Praxis exam and an official transcript showing the date Ms. Virion's degree was conferred. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Temporary Speech Pathologist Application

The Board reviewed Peter Sullivan's application for a temporary speech pathologist license. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Parker, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Temporary Hearing Aid Dispenser Applications

The Board reviewed Edmund Sugzdinis' application for a temporary hearing aid dispenser license. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Parker, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board reviewed Rebecca Favinger's application for a temporary hearing aid dispenser license. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Parker, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Continuing Education Activities

Dr. Michelli made a motion, seconded by Dr. Parker, to approve the following continuing education as noted:

Licensee: James Tyler
Sponsor: American Institute of Balance
Activity: Balanceback Course
Contact Hours: 6 CS

Licensee: Terese Cooley
Sponsor: Audiology Online
Activity: Tinnitus Management
Contact Hours: 1 CS

Licensee: Terese Cooley
Sponsor: Audiology Online
Activity: Patient Satisfaction at Your Fingertips – Counseling, Education, & Fitting
Contact Hours: 1 CS

Licensee: Terese Cooley
Sponsor: Audiology Online
Activity: Easy Programming with Inspire
Contact Hours: 1 CS

Licensee: Terese Cooley
Sponsor: Audiology Online
Activity: Compression Basics Reviewed
Contact Hours: 1 CS

Licensee: Terese Cooley
Sponsor: Audiology Online
Activity: Fitting Hearing Aids to Babies: Three Things You Should Know
Contact Hours: 1 CS

Licensee: Terese Cooley
Sponsor: Audiology Online
Activity: Verifying Hearing Aid Fittings
Contact Hours: 1 CS

Sponsor: Interton
Activity: Advance Your Clinic: Appraise 1.3 Software Training

Contact Hours: 1 CS

Sponsor: Interton
Activity: Advance Your Clinic: AVIO 5 Product Series
Contact Hours: 1 CS

Motion unanimously carried.

Dr. Parker made a motion, seconded by Dr. Connolly-Gaskin, to approve the following continuing education as noted:

Licensee: Terese Cooley
Sponsor: Audiology Online
Activity: Achieving the Best Outcomes with a Cochlear Implant: 20 Tips
Contact Hours: 1 PG

Licensee: Terese Cooley
Sponsor: Audiology Online
Activity: Bluetooth Applications in Modern Hearing Instruments
Contact Hours: 1 PG

Licensee: Terese Cooley
Sponsor: Audiology Online
Activity: Auditory Skills: You Lead the Way (For Parents and Professionals)
Contact Hours: 1 PG

Licensee: Terese Cooley
Sponsor: Audiology Online
Activity: Practice Ambassador
Contact Hours: 1 PG

Motion unanimously carried.

Review Request for Extension of Temporary Hearing Aid Dispenser License

The Board reviewed a request to extend Kelli Shivers' temporary hearing aid dispenser license. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Parker, to approve the request. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Request for Extension of Temporary Speech Pathologist License

The Board reviewed a request to extend Andrea Ginnona's temporary speech pathologist license. Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Parker, to approve the request to extend the temporary license, and to approve Ms. Ginnona's permanent license contingent upon receipt of an official score report for the Praxis exam. Motion unanimously carried.

Other Business before the Board

There was no other business before the Board.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence to review.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

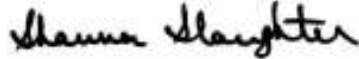
Next Scheduled Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 10, 2009, at 2:00 p.m., in Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Dr. Connolly-Gaskin made a motion, seconded by Dr. Michelli, to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried. The meeting adjourned at 4:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Shauna Slaughter". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Shauna Slaughter
Administrative Specialist II